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L. H. J. Liber No. 48 April 23 p. 400 The House adjourns until 2 of the Clock Afternoon.

Post-Meridiem.

The House met according to Adjournment; and all the Members appeared as in the Morning, except Mr. Worthington and Mr. Reynolds.

Mr. Chapline hath Leave of the House to go home.

The House adjourns until Monday Morning at 9 of the Clock.

April 25

Monday, 25th April, 1757.

The House met according to Adjournment: The Members were called, and all appeared as on Saturday, except Mr. Reynolds, Mr. Chapline, and Capt. Jordan.

His Excellency communicated to Mr. Speaker the following Message, viz.^t

Gentlemen of the Lower House of Assembly,

The inclosed Instructions are, as you will see, sent to me by the Lords Commissioners for Trade and Plantations. I Recommend it to you to Frame a Bill agreeable thereto.

25th April, 1757.

Hor.º Sharpe.

And the following Paper, viz.t

Whitehall, October 9th, 1756.

Sir.

It having been Represented to his Majesty, That the several Islands and Colonies, belonging to the French in America, have in Times of War been frequently supplied with Provisions of various Kinds, by Means of the Trade carried on from his Majesty's Islands and Colonies, to the Colonies and Settlements belonging to the Dutch and other Neutral Powers: It is his Majesty's Pleasure that you do forthwith, upon the Receipt of this Order, give immediate Directions, that an Embargo be laid, during his Majesty's Pleasure, upon all Ships and Vessels Clearing out with Provisions, from any Port or Place within your Government, except those which shall be employed in carrying Provisions to any other of his Majesty's Colonies and Plantations, which Ships or Vessels are to be allowed to sail from Time to Time, provided that the Masters or Owners do, before they are permitted to take any Provisions on Board, enter into Bonds, with Two Sureties of known Residence there, and Ability to answer the Penalty, with the Chief Officers of the Customs of the Ports or Places from whence such Ships or Vessels shall set sail, to the Value of One Thousand Pounds, if the Ship be of less Burthen than One Hundred Tons, and of the Sum of Two Thousand Pounds if above that Burthen, that the Cargoes of such Ships or Vessels, the